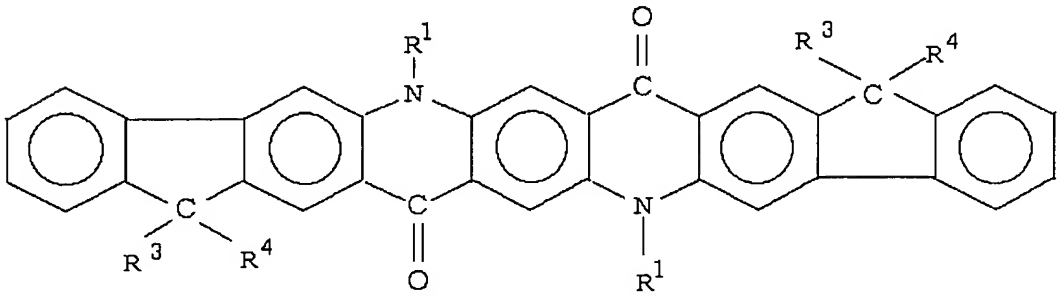
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS, COMPLETE LISTING OF CLAIMS IN ASCENDING ORDER WITH STATUS INDICATOR

Please amend the following claims as indicated.

1. (Canceled).

2. (Previously Presented) A luminescent compound capable of emitting white light that has a structure represented by formula (2):



(2)

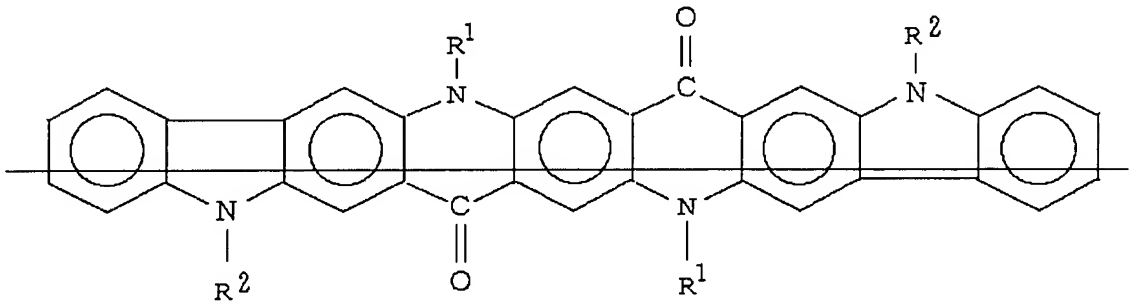
wherein R^1 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein two R^1s may be the same or different from each other; each of R^3 and R^4 is an alkyl group, or an aryl or arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein R^3 and R^4 may be the same or different from each other; and two R^3s may be the same or different, and two R^4s may be the same or different, and

wherein the luminescent compound emits white light upon an application of electromagnetic energy.

Claims 3-15 (Canceled).

16. (Currently Amended) A layered article comprising ~~at least one luminescent compound selected from the group consisting of~~

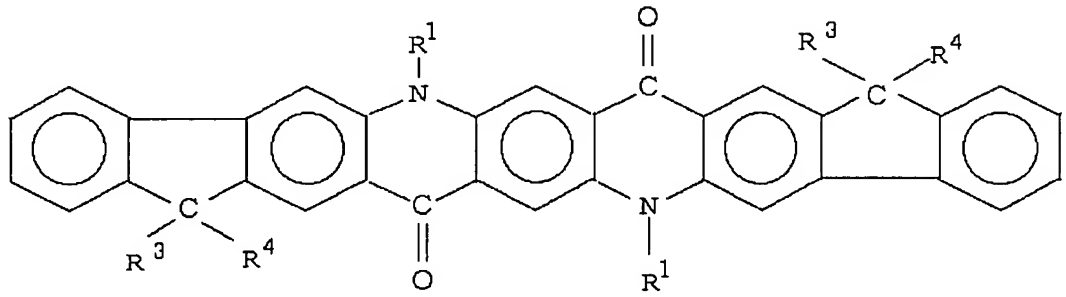
~~(A) a luminescent compound capable of emitting white light that has a structure represented by formula (1):~~



(1)

~~wherein R^1 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group with 4 to 6 carbon atoms, or an arylalkyl group wherein the aryl group of said arylalkyl group is a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl group, or a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group with 2 to 3 fused rings, wherein when one of R^1s is a hydrogen atom, the other is not a hydrogen atom, and wherein two R^1s may be the same except when one R^1 is a hydrogen atom or different from each other; R^2 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein two R^2s may be the same or different from each other; and R^1 and R^2 may be the same or different from each other, and wherein when two R^1s are benzyl groups, two R^2s are not ethyl groups, and~~

~~(B)~~ a luminescent compound capable of emitting white light that has a structure represented by formula (2):



(2)

wherein R^1 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein two R^1s may be the same or different from each other; each of R^3 and R^4 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein R^3 and R^4 may be the same or different from each other; and two R^3s may be the same or different, and two R^4s may be the same or different, and

wherein the luminescent compound emits white light upon an application of electromagnetic energy.

17. (Previously Presented) The layered article according to claim 16, in a form of an organic EL element comprising a substrate, a pair of electrodes, and at least one light-emitting layer sandwiched between the electrodes, wherein said light-emitting layer comprises at least one of said luminescent compound, and wherein one of the electrodes is formed on the substrate.

18. (Previously Presented) The layered article according to claim 16, in a form of an illuminator capable of emitting white light, wherein the illuminator comprises a substrate, a pair of electrodes, and at least one light-emitting layer sandwiched between the electrodes, wherein said light-emitting layer comprises at least one of said luminescent compound, and wherein one of the electrodes is formed on the substrate.

19. (Previously Presented) The layered article according to claim 18, wherein the illuminator comprises a single light-emitting layer.

20. (Previously Presented) The layered article according to claim 18, wherein the illuminator (1) comprises two or more light-emitting layers, at least one of which comprises said luminescent compound, and (2) further comprises a hole-transporting layer and an electron-transporting layer.

21. (Previously Presented) The layered article according to claim 17, wherein said light-emitting layer is prepared by dispersing said luminescent compound in a high polymer.

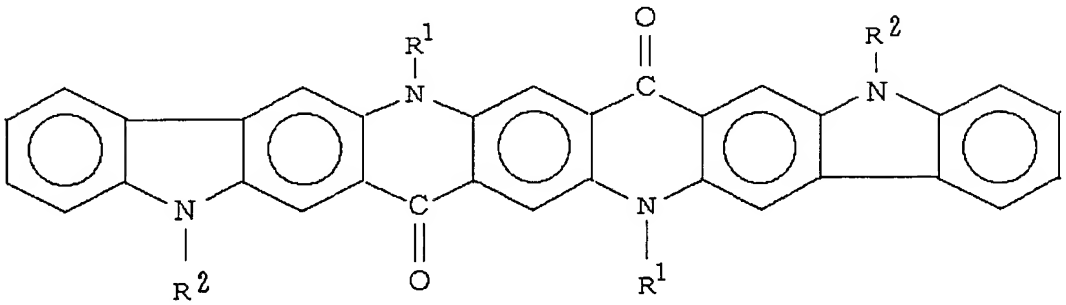
22. (Previously Presented) The layered article according to claim 18, wherein said light-emitting layer is prepared by dispersing said luminescent compound in a high polymer.

23. (Previously Presented) The layered article according to claim 17, wherein said light-emitting layer is prepared by depositing said luminescent compound on said substrate.

24. (Previously Presented) The layered article according to claim 18, wherein said light-emitting layer is prepared by depositing said luminescent compound on said substrate.

25. (Currently Amended) ~~The layered article according to claim 17,~~ A layered article comprising at least one luminescent compound selected from the group consisting of

(A) a luminescent compound capable of emitting white light that has a structure represented by formula (1):

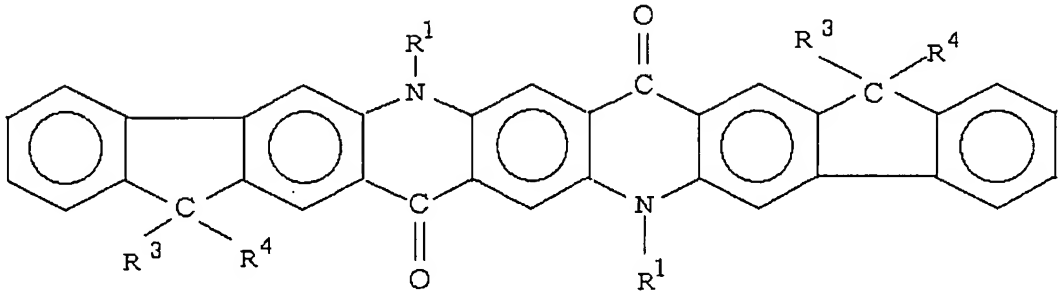


(1)

wherein R^1 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group with 4 to 6 carbon atoms, or an arylalkyl group wherein the aryl group of said arylalkyl group is a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl group, or a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group with 2 to 3 fused rings, wherein when one of R^1s is a hydrogen atom, the other is not a hydrogen atom, and wherein two R^1s may be the same except when one R^1 is a hydrogen atom or different from each other; R^2 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein two R^2s may be

the same or different from each other; and R^1 and R^2 may be the same or different from each other, and wherein when two R^1s are benzyl groups, two R^2s are not ethyl groups, and

(B) a luminescent compound capable of emitting white light that has a structure represented by formula (2):



(2)

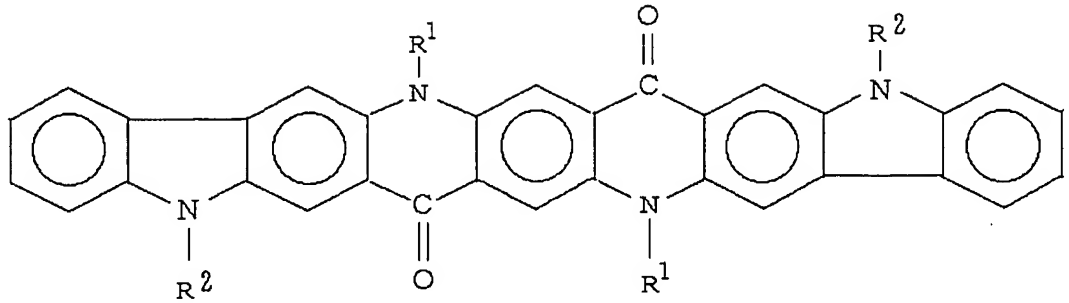
wherein R^1 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein two R^1s may be the same or different from each other; each of R^3 and R^4 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein R^3 and R^4 may be the same or different from each other; and two R^3s may be the same or different, and two R^4s may be the same or different, and

wherein the luminescent compound emits white light upon an application of electromagnetic energy, and

wherein said layered article has a planar shape and is in a form of an organic EL element comprising a substrate, a pair of electrodes, and at least one light-emitting layer sandwiched between the electrodes, wherein said light-emitting layer comprises at least one of said luminescent compound, and wherein one of the electrodes is formed on the substrate.

26. (Currently Amended) ~~The layered article according to claim 17,~~ A layered article comprising at least one luminescent compound selected from the group consisting of

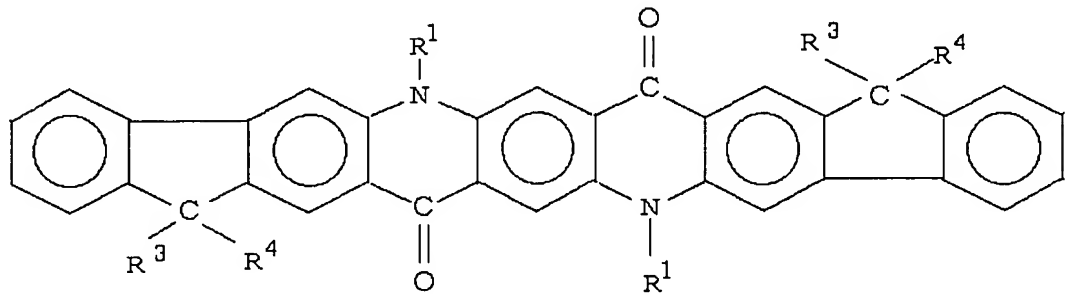
(A) a luminescent compound capable of emitting white light that has a structure represented by formula (1):



(1)

wherein R^1 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group with 4 to 6 carbon atoms, or an arylalkyl group wherein the aryl group of said arylalkyl group is a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl group, or a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group with 2 to 3 fused rings, wherein when one of R^1s is a hydrogen atom, the other is not a hydrogen atom, and wherein two R^1s may be the same except when one R^1 is a hydrogen atom or different from each other; R^2 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein two R^2s may be the same or different from each other; and R^1 and R^2 may be the same or different from each other, and wherein when two R^1s are benzyl groups, two R^2s are not ethyl groups, and

(B) a luminescent compound capable of emitting white light that has a structure represented by formula (2):



(2)

wherein R^1 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein two R^1s may be the same or different from each other; each of R^3 and R^4 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent,

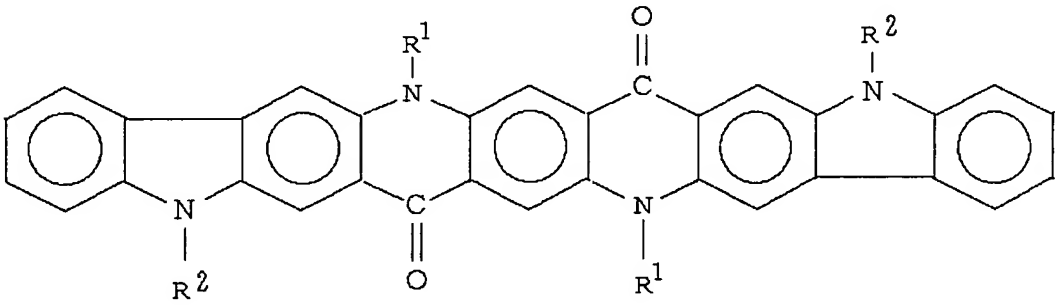
wherein R^3 and R^4 may be the same or different from each other; and two R^3s may be the same or different, and two R^4s may be the same or different, and

wherein the luminescent compound emits white light upon an application of electromagnetic energy, and

wherein said layered article has a tubular shape and is in a form of an organic EL element comprising a substrate, a pair of electrodes, and at least one light-emitting layer sandwiched between the electrodes, wherein said light-emitting layer comprises at least one of said luminescent compound, and wherein one of the electrodes is formed on the substrate.

27. (Currently Amended) ~~The layered article according to claim 18,~~ A layered article comprising at least one luminescent compound selected from the group consisting of

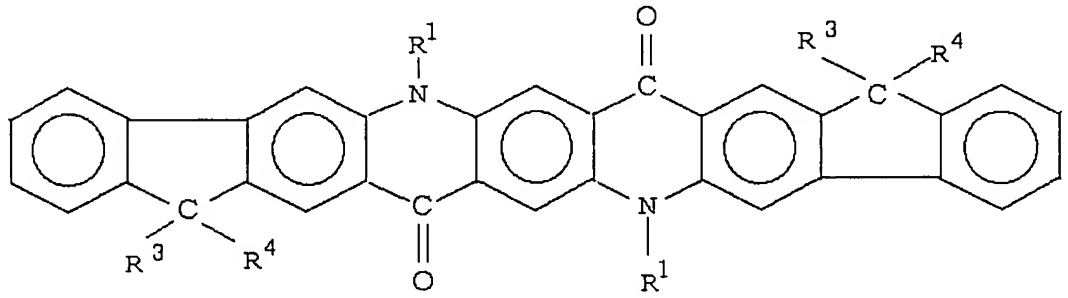
(A) a luminescent compound capable of emitting white light that has a structure represented by formula (1):



(1)

wherein R^1 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group with 4 to 6 carbon atoms, or an arylalkyl group wherein the aryl group of said arylalkyl group is a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl group, or a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group with 2 to 3 fused rings, wherein when one of R^1s is a hydrogen atom, the other is not a hydrogen atom, and wherein two R^1s may be the same except when one R^1 is a hydrogen atom or different from each other; R^2 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein two R^2s may be the same or different from each other; and R^1 and R^2 may be the same or different from each other, and wherein when two R^1s are benzyl groups, two R^2s are not ethyl groups, and

(B) a luminescent compound capable of emitting white light that has a structure represented by formula (2):



(2)

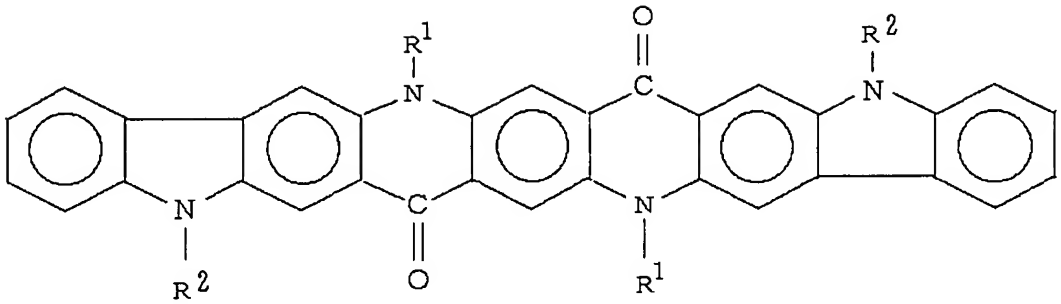
wherein R^1 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein two R^1s may be the same or different from each other; each of R^3 and R^4 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein R^3 and R^4 may be the same or different from each other; and two R^3s may be the same or different, and two R^4s may be the same or different, and

wherein the luminescent compound emits white light upon an application of electromagnetic energy, and

wherein said layered article has a planar shape and is in a form of an illuminator capable of emitting white light, wherein the illuminator comprises a substrate, a pair of electrodes, and at least one light-emitting layer sandwiched between the electrodes, wherein said light-emitting layer comprises at least one of said luminescent compound, and wherein one of the electrodes is formed on the substrate.

28. (Currently Amended) ~~The layered article according to claim 18,~~ A layered article comprising at least one luminescent compound selected from the group consisting of

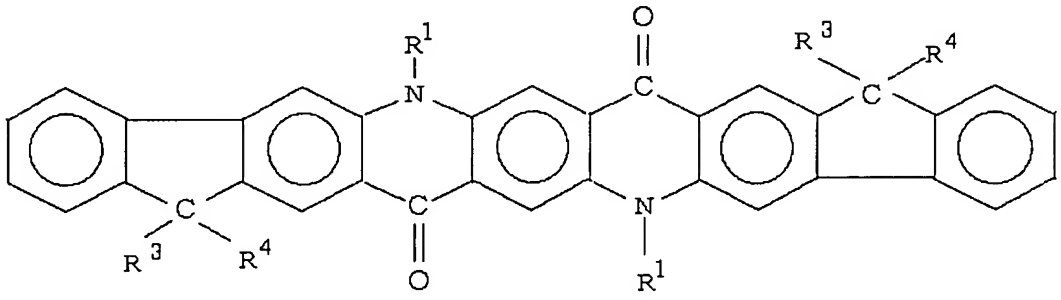
(A) a luminescent compound capable of emitting white light that has a structure represented by formula (1):



(1)

wherein R^1 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group with 4 to 6 carbon atoms, or an arylalkyl group wherein the aryl group of said arylalkyl group is a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl group, or a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group with 2 to 3 fused rings, wherein when one of R^1s is a hydrogen atom, the other is not a hydrogen atom, and wherein two R^1s may be the same except when one R^1 is a hydrogen atom or different from each other; R^2 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein two R^2s may be the same or different from each other; and R^1 and R^2 may be the same or different from each other, and wherein when two R^1s are benzyl groups, two R^2s are not ethyl groups, and

(B) a luminescent compound capable of emitting white light that has a structure represented by formula (2):



(2)

wherein R^1 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein two R^1s may be the same or different from each other; each of R^3 and R^4 is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent,

wherein R^3 and R^4 may be the same or different from each other; and two R^3s may be the same or different, and two R^4s may be the same or different, and

wherein the luminescent compound emits white light upon an application of electromagnetic energy, and

wherein said layered article has a tubular shape and is in a form of an illuminator capable of emitting white light, wherein the illuminator comprises a substrate, a pair of electrodes, and at least one light-emitting layer sandwiched between the electrodes, wherein said light-emitting layer comprises at least one of said luminescent compound, and wherein one of the electrodes is formed on the substrate.

29. (Currently Amended) The layered article according to claim ~~19~~ 27, wherein ~~said article has a planar shape~~ the illuminator comprises a single light-emitting layer.

30. (Currently Amended) The layered article according to claim ~~19~~ 28, wherein ~~said article has a tubular shape~~ the illuminator comprises a single light-emitting layer.

31. (Currently Amended) The layered article according to claim ~~20~~ 27, wherein ~~said article has a planar shape~~ the illuminator (1) comprises two or more light-emitting layers, at least one of which comprises said luminescent compound, and (2) further comprises a hole-transporting layer and an electron-transporting layer.

32. (Currently Amended) The layered article according to claim ~~20~~ 28, wherein ~~said article has a tubular shape~~ the illuminator (1) comprises two or more light-emitting layers, at least one of which comprises said luminescent compound, and (2) further comprises a hole-transporting layer and an electron-transporting layer.